

THE HOME CIRCLE.

Pleasant Evening Services—A Column Dedicated to Three Mothers as They Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

"Would you have the world better and brighter?
Then light up the way as you go;
Make some little part of it lighter
With beams from your life's steady glow;
Make the world you live in your debtor
As through it you journey along.
Be good, and the earth will grow better;
Do right, and the right will grow strong;
Trim the lamp that is left to your keeping,
And fan it with breezes of hope,
Least shadows your life o'er creeping
Leave others in darkness to grope."

If your Christianity will not last all the week and stand the wear and tear of every day things in life, you may be sure you do not possess the real article.

One active beech nut, given a chance will result in a forest. One little thought started right will go round the world and keep on its travels. It gets there by moving, not by sitting sulkily in the saddest and wishing it were a plum pudding. Move on. Catch on. Hold fast as long as you can, and if you are knocked off, grab for the next ear that comes along and you will get there. But don't start in the wrong direction. Do not start for the drunkard's grave, or you will be sure to get there. Do not start in to go it blind whenever some "smart aleck" blows the horn for you to fall in, lest you fall in where it is deep and ever remain there. Be active or get out of the way, and in one year see how much better off in mind, body, and comfort you will be.

Don't be a grumbler. Some people contrive to get hold of the prickly side of everything; to run up against the sharp corners, and find out all the disagreeable things. Half the strength spent in growling would often set things right. You may as well make up your mind, to begin with, that no one ever found the world as he would like it; but you are to take your share of the troubles, and bear them bravely. You will be very sure to have troubles laid upon you that belong to other people, unless you are a shirk yourself, but don't grumble. If the work needs doing, and you can do it, never mind about the other person who ought to have done it and didn't. Those workers who fill up the gaps, and finish up the job others leave undone, they are the true peace-makers, and worth a whole lot of growlers.

Young men, the first question your employers ask themselves when business becomes slack and it is thought necessary to economize in the matter of salaries is, "Who can best be spared?" The barnacles, the shirks, the make-alikes, somebody's proteges, somebody's nephews, and especially somebody's good-for-nothing, young men, please remember that these are not the ones who are called for when responsible positions are to be filled. Would you like to gauge your own future for a position of prominence? Would you like to know the probabilities of your getting such a position? Inquire within! What are you doing to make your self valuable in the position you now occupy? If you are doing with your might what your hands find to do, the chances are two to one that you soon become as valuable in that position that you cannot be spared from it, and then, singular to relate, will be the very time when you will be sought out for promotion for a better place.

It is more pleasant to be invited to take a higher seat than to be deprived of it. It is more pleasant to be king of a cottage than a servant of a palace. It is better to be a good five cent piece than a bogus quarter; in other words, it is better to hold ourselves at what we are honestly worth. The world is full of people who never know or learn anything, because they think they know enough to begin with. Thousands are teaching when they ought to be taught; thousands believe themselves wise when their ignorance is lamentable; thousands believe themselves clothed in gold when they are only thinly plated and the copper shows through in many places. The wisest are comparatively ignorant and thousands of men who have grand ideas of their own abilities will some day wake up to the realization that they have been laboring under a large steel delusion. Many a young man's life is gilded by bright dreams that come in the early stage of the game, but later he finds that these dreams are only empty, and O, how little is the change when it comes.

Charity at Home.
No reward comes to him who robs himself of what he needs to sustain life and health, or what is needed to care for his own, merely to give to those who ask. No man has a right to give what is not fully his own; no

right to give away any time that belongs to another, to create poverty in order to relieve poverty; to lose the respect of his home ones, or to do what will weaken their faith in him as a provider and a protector. Man's duty is to God, and he discharges the duty when he is true to the family that is the result of his making and begetting. Men err by withholding when they have means to spare as well as not, and they err by giving heedlessly to the endless asking of those whose great aim in life is to attach themselves to those inclined to charity. Help those who are in sickness, in trouble and distress, if you can do so without robbing your creditors, yourself or your family. Be just, and then be generous. To give wisely is an art, to give well is to give successfully. To provide employment is even humane and wise, but you should give it or find it to those who try to deserve such assistance, not to those who are lazy, dirty, shiftless, careless and indifferent to your success. Let those who will not try to come up just a little higher, with your help, remain where they are, except you are able to give.

No man has a right to walk deliberately into poverty in order to prove his manhood a disposition to humanity. This is not the way to help mankind, or to serve your country. When a man is stricken down, then help him if you can, but do not encourage him to fall again and to keep on falling simply to be helped. Do not be a miser, nor yet a spendthrift. Do not be selfish, but be careful to preserve your own health, means and ability to help those who will be with us tomorrow, as well as today.

Nothing will relieve indigestion that is not a thorough digestant. Kodol digests what you eat and allows the stomach to rest—recuperate—grow strong again. KODOL is a solution of digestive acids and as nearly as possible approximates the digestive juices that are found in the stomach. KODOL takes the work of digestion off the digestive organs, and while performing this work itself does greatly assist the stomach to a thorough rest. In addition the ingredients of KODOL are such as to make it a corrective of the highest efficiency and by its action the stomach is restored to its normal activity and power. KODOL is manufactured in strict conformity with the National Pure Food and Drug Law. Sold by H. S. Pughard and W. E. Rosserman.

Death From Fit of Anger.

Death frequently follows a sudden fit of anger. Persons who are otherwise sensible and even philosophical indulge at times in this suicidal and profitless pastime. The Emperor Nerva died at the age of 66 from fever resulting from a fit of anger. Paul III, who occupied the papal throne from 1534 to 1549, and who was considered one of the most intelligent and liberal, as well as just of popes, died from a sudden fit of anger while upbraiding Cardinal Alessandro Farnese, who had proven false to his friends and benefactor.

The Youthful Idea.
"Pa," asked clever little Willie, "does that Indian scalp people so he can get their hair to make his wig?"
And he dodged just in time to make a half-breedish escape from the paternal boot.

The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because it deceives the five. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance to a serious stage, it will attack the vital organs of the body and break down and waste away the system by cell.

Kidney troubles most always result from a derangement of the kidneys and a cure is obtained quickly by a proper treatment of the kidneys. If you are feeling any of the following symptoms, at once get the Swamp-Root, the great kidney cure, as a bladder remedy.

It corrects tendency to hold urine and causes the urine to pass off, and excrements to be removed from the system, and is put up every day during the day, and is put up every day during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is seen in the fact that it stands the highest for its removal of the most distressing cases.

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FOR THE BEDROOM

ORNAMENTATION LOOKED FOR IN CHIEF ARTICLE.

Bedsteads No Longer Simple Frameworks of Wood or Iron—Handsome Ones of Mahogany—Household Lore.

The time has gone by when the bedstead was a simple framework. It has developed from a skeleton of plain wood or iron into a magnificent and expensive piece of furniture, and nowadays people choose their bedsteads with care. The nickel sort has never proved popular on account of its cold appearance. As the bedstead is the largest piece of furniture, it naturally has the most to do in giving the room a furnished appearance. Nickel bedsteads are only fit for a summer home where everything should look cool and refreshing.

Brass is the best to get in a metal bedstead if one can afford it. It has a rich, warm look. The patterns differ little, but each season finds an improvement in the finish. The best bedsteads are not of solid brass. They have iron supports running through each separate rod, and this gives the frame stability.

Although metal bedsteads are considered more sanitary by many, they can never be made so handsome as some of the wooden ones. Nor can they give such an appearance of comfort. One of the handsomest bedsteads is of mahogany. It lends an air of solid comfort to a bedroom.

Two bedsteads of metal or wood are the proper things now. It is healthier to sleep alone.

Serving Salads.
Now that most of the fresh vegetables have gone, a salad is more welcome than ever at dinner. Kidney beans mixed with mayonnaise dressing and served on lettuce leaves makes an excellent salad for a light dinner. A few cranberries out in halves add to the appearance of apple and celery salad. Only a few cranberries should be used, for they are very sour.

Grape fruit for salad is better if broken into small pieces instead of the usual sections. Combined with nuts and garnished with watercress, it is very good. This may be served in the half skins. If the salad is to be a separate course.

Macaroni Macabre.
For macaroni rarely take half a cup of milk of boiled macaroni that has been cut into small pieces. Put half a cup of milk into a saucepan, stir in quickly the yolks of three eggs, a generous tablespoonful of butter, salt, pepper, and lastly the macaroni. Stir the mixture over the fire until the cheese has melted; then serve on hot buttered toast.

Cleaning Steel Knives.
Steel dinner knives should be cleaned every time they are used, otherwise they will look black and dull. Bristol brick with soap is the best thing to use. Let the blade of the knife rest flat upon a board, and rub the steel with a bit of soaped cloth dipped in the brick reduced to a powder. Some housekeepers use a small tin for cleaning knives instead of a cloth. If the blades have become rusted, cover them with olive oil and quickly rub away for two or three days, then rub with brick.

Apple Cake.
Make a rich biscuit dough with one quart of flour, one teaspoonful salt, two teaspoons baking powder, one egg, three tablespoonful butter, one pint of sweet milk, one teaspoon vanilla. Mix dry ingredients together, rub in butter, beat egg and add to the milk, beat and add to the flour mixture. Add flavoring. Make dough quite soft. Roll out very smooth and quarter quick baking paper, core and quarter quick baking apples. Lay on the dough, without pressing until top is covered. Sprinkle with cinnamon. Make a sauce of one tablespoonful of flour, three tablespoonfuls sugar, a pinch of salt and four tablespoonfuls milk. Pour over the top of the apples, sprinkle more sugar and dried currants over this and bake in a quick oven. Can be served hot or cold and with cream if desired.

Dessert in the Chafin Dish.
This has been tried and found good. A delicious chafin dish savory combines celery and oysters. Have ready a big tablespoonful of minced celery. Put it into the mixer with a tablespoonful of butter, a teaspoonful of lemon juice, salt and pepper. When the mixture bubbles turn in 24 oysters and cook them until plump. Then add a cupful of cream and when it is thoroughly heated serve on toast.

The Use of Glycerine.
Good cooks know the value of a few drops of glycerine added to the flour in cake-making. In the proportion of a teaspoonful to one pound of flour this makes a dough light and feather-ery. While three teaspoonfuls with every pound of fruit in jam-making prevents the fermentation of the sugar owing to insufficient boiling, and obviates all risk of the latter crystallizing.

Vinegar Basting.
The nature of the vessel used in broiling is of the utmost importance. Vinegar basted in an unglazed copper or brass pan discolors a portion of the copper, and immediately becomes impregnated with a poisonous substance. Nothing should be used for broiling except glass or enameled metal or iron vessels, the former for preference.

TORTURING PAIN.

Half This Man's Sufferings Would Have Killed Many a Person, But Doan's Cured Him.

Thousands of grateful people are telling every day how Doan's Kidney Pills cured them of distressing and dangerous kidney and bladder troubles. Yet other thousands are suffering every day from these same ills. Why? They are either very negligent or very skeptical. Neglect of kidney disorders leads to dropsy, diabetes, Bright's disease and other fatal diseases.

Sincere, honest testimony like the following should convince every skeptic. A. O. Sprague, stock dealer, of Normal, Ill., writes: "For two whole years I was doing nothing but buying medicines to cure my kidneys. I do not think that any man ever suffered as I did and lived. The pain in my back was so bad that I could not sleep at night. I could not ride a horse and sometimes was unable even to ride in a car. My condition was critical when I sent for Doan's Kidney Pills. I used three boxes and they cured me. Now I can go anywhere and do as much as anybody. I sleep well and feel no discomfort at all."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mr. Sprague will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address: Foster-McLure Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sold by all dealers; price, fifty cents per box.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Took Poison, But Its Power Gave Way to the Physician's Skill.
Wednesday morning at 8:30, Miss Ethel Hyson, in a fit of despondency, aggravated by jealousy, it is said, took poison, and but for prompt medical aid might have died. The poison was face powder containing arsenic. Miss Hyson formerly lived at Boothbay and has been here about six weeks. She had a room at Mrs. Abbott's in Southbury block, and roomed with Miss Maude Allen. It is said Miss Hyson is about twenty-five years old and attempted suicide in Boston about a year ago. She has been employed in a local restaurant while here.

MILD FORM OF GRIPPE.

Epidemic at Rumford and Mexico.
There is no question about Rumford and Mexico being in the grasp of an epidemic. Fortunately it has so far manifested only as a mild form of the grippe, perhaps no more than a common cold, but in Mexico there is hardly a family without one member being ill, and in several homes all are victims. It is not quite so bad at the Falls, but the sparsely filled churches Sunday showed that many were compelled to stay at home, and reports allege sickness as the cause.

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LIVERMORE FALLS BOWLERS

Were Beaten at Rumford Falls Last Friday Night.

Friday night the crack bowlers from Livermore Falls came here and rolled a game with the team that Captain Tucker took to Lewiston, with the exception of Lane, who played in Anderson's place. The Livermore players got 48 pins behind on the first string, but on the second they gained 13 of them, and on the third, lost 5, leaving them a net gain of 8 on the last two strings, and forty pins behind on the three strings. They were very sure rollers, and cleaned up their breaks well, but spares and strikes did not favor them much. They were a very fine lot of fellows and the home team feel much pleased with their visit here, and will return the favor in about two weeks. The score:

RUMFORD FALLS.
Nelson, 89 72 75 250
Souviney, 87 80 100 267
Lane, 59 76 85 250
Shee, 73 102 93 232
Tucker, 90 94 84 278

LIVERMORE FALLS.
Darrington, 70 86 85 250
Goubert, 80 97 92 269
Larochele, 84 80 86 250
Brown, 87 89 88 264
Louis, 83 88 82 254

The Cummings Construction Co. men and the Rumford Falls High school boys had a three string match game Friday night and as may be seen from the score was very close and exciting. G. A. Bradbury was referee of both matches. The score:

C. C. Co.
Towle, 67 77 94 238
Lincoln, 79 89 71 239
Marsh, 73 89 78 240
Cummings, 94 84 88 266
Fallon, 85 87 77 219

R. F. H. S.
Davis, 70 92 78 240
Burdett, 83 78 70 235
Steinfeld, 85 90 93 268
Reed, 83 77 82 242
Bisbee, 77 71 83 216

NEW BUSINESS FOR RUMFORD FALLS.

Thomas French, formerly of Andover, now from South Lancaster, Mass., and well known in Rumford Falls, has leased a lot at the head of Bridge street near Swain Brook bridge of the Power Company, and is having an automobile garage built. The W. J. White Building Co. has the contract and began work this week. The building is to be 34x54 feet, and will be fitted with machinery for all kinds of automobile repairing.

The Jar of Coughing

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A NEW SCHOOL OF MUSIC.

Prof. J. H. Parker, the celebrated soloist and instructor in the art of banjo, mandolin and guitar playing, visited Rumford Falls last week and contemplates opening a studio in town. Prof. Parker comes highly recommended by both press and public, having been leader of the famous Imperial Quartette of Boston, and for years director and instructor of the celebrated musical club of McGill College, Montreal. He also held the position of private tutor in the families of Lord Stanley and Lord Aberdeen, Governor-Generals of Canada, at the Government House, Ottawa, and is one of the few banjoists who has had the distinction of playing before royalty.

Branches of this school have been conducted with marked success in Montreal, Ottawa, Quebec, Canada; Burlington, Barre, Bristol, Richmond, Northfield, Morrisville, Hyde Park, Stowe, Norwich University, Vermont; Littleton, N. H., and Prof. Parker is now instructing classes of about fifty or sixty scholars in Berlin, N. H., South Paris and Norway.

Prof. Parker offers, as an inducement, to give absolutely free of cost, a first class instrument, either a banjo, mandolin or guitar, to each pupil taking a full course of sixteen lessons. While in town Prof. Parker made arrangements to give a recital in the Methodist church in the near future, the date of which will be announced later. Prof. Parker may be addressed at Hotel Rumford, where he will be three days of each week until he opens his studio.

CANTONIA.
The Kid in the Army Suit
"Chick" Miller

Mr. and Mrs. Donald P. Chapman returned to Bethel Monday.

George W. Frothingham of Portland, formerly of South Paris, was in town last week.

Rehearsals for the drama, "Barren Haven," which is to be given at the close of the Universalist fair, in the near future, have begun.

Mrs. W. B. Lee, who has been working in the toy shop, has returned to Canada.

George Briggs, who recently cut his foot, was able to take his place in the choir at the Universalist church last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Hathaway are visiting Mrs. Hathaway's parents in Waterville.

E. N. Haskell and sister, Hattie, were in Poland last week.

The bonnet and necktie social at the Congregational church Friday evening was well attended.

In spite of the fact that the United Church supper was postponed from last Tuesday night until Wednesday night, there was a large attendance and it was a very enjoyable occasion. The supper was followed by the laughable two act drama, "An Old Maid's Wooing," in which the following took part: Mrs. I. E. Andrews, Mrs. J. F. McArthur, Mrs. Howard W. Shaw, Miss Grace Penley, Winslow C. Thayer, Harold T. Thayer, A. L. Holmes, Harold C. Fletcher and Louis W. Clark. The entertainment was followed by a social in which young and old took part.

Garric and Gertrude Hall visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hall recently at Buckfield.

Thomas Powers gave a very enjoyable party to a few of his neighbors last week. Excellent refreshments were served and a fine time enjoyed.

Nellie Whitman, who teaches at Hebron Academy, is ill with tonsillitis.

Isaboth Murphy visited in West Paris last week.

Miss Gladys Spiller is visiting in Oxford and Oldfield.

Lora Swift of Jamaica Plain, Mass., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. B. Marsh.

George Pratt has returned from Houlton.

Subject at the Universalist Young People's Christian Union Sunday evening, "Character Building." Leader, Arthur E. Forbes.

Quite a number of South Paris people attended the clerks' ball at Norway Thursday evening.

Mrs. Walter Gray, who has been critically ill, is improving.

NORTH BETHEL.

Mrs. H. Y. Chapman has been suffering with tooth aches and has had five extracted.

On account of the sickness in the crew of Virgil Chapman, he and the boys were at home over Sunday.

Virgil Chapman and wife spent Friday at Northwest Bethel.

Mrs. Duplitt is suffering with a lame back.

Mrs. Peter Gaudet is better.

Mrs. H. R. Godwin and Mrs. H. J. Stearns and baby, called on Mrs. C. W. Godwin last Saturday.

Ernest Godwin is at home from the woods.

GROVER HILL.

The grippes has made its appearance a nearly every family here. Mr. and Mrs. Fredland Bennett are the latest victims of the disease.

W. H. Hestichman and family visited his father, A. H. Hestichman in Bethel Village, Sunday.

E. C. Jackson was the guest of his sister, Mrs. N. A. Stearns, while convalescing from a severe attack of the grippes last week.

E. R. Bartlett got a horse into the snow while breaking road one day last week.

Idolatry.

"Jeannette just worships his auto."
"I knew it. In it he lives and moves and has his being." Judge.

Miss Susie Bean is rapidly recovering from her illness.

Mr. Sam Mayconcell is at home from his work in the woods on account of sickness.

Mr. Eugene Bean was at home from Campyral for a short visit last week.

Mr. Harold Hatchings and little son are visiting her parents in Portland.

Mr. N. A. Austin has returned from the hospital in Lewiston much improved in health.

Mr. Will Holt with team is drawing spool strips to Locke Mills and loading cars for Mr. J. P. Haultings of West Bethel.

Mr. Elmer Frank is at home from his work at Bemis. He recently had the misfortune to lose a valuable work horse.

NATIE BROOK.

Miss Lettie McLain is staying at the home of her uncle, Hector McLain, for a short time.

Mr. W. Neil McLean of Gorham was a guest at Neil McLain's, recently.

Mrs. Arsenault called on Mrs. T. G. Lary one day last week.

George Briggs went to Albany recently on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil McLain called on their brother, Hector McLain at Leighton's camp, Sunday.

Mr. Will Dyre called at Mr. Lary's, recently.

LOCKE MILLS.

Arthur Herrick of Bethel visited Arthur Stowell last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Penley of Berlin, N. H., visited friends here Saturday on their way to West Paris to spend Sunday with their parents.

The "Jolly Eight" met with Mrs. Rose K. Frost last Thursday afternoon. Two hours were spent at whist, after which coffee and cake were served. The prizes were won by Mrs. Charles Bartlett (an invited guest), Mrs. Earl Farrington and Mrs. Frank Frost. It is with pleasure that the club welcomes Mrs. Anna Grant as a member. She takes the place of Mrs. Della Penley who has moved away. Last Friday evening this club entertained their husbands and a few invited friends in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Frost, and gave them a glimpse of the good times they were having and proved to them that the club was not jolly in name only. Refreshments of coffee, sandwiches and cake were served. The prizes were won as follows: First, Mr. Lester Penley and Mrs. Charles Stowell; second, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Herrick.

Sixteen from here attended the 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Farrar at the Grango Hall, East Bethel, Monday evening. They report an excellent time.

RUMFORD POINT.

P. O. Fames and wife are both on the sick list.

Mrs. G. W. Curtis came home for a few days last week and returned to Byron Sunday.

C. L. Young of Auburn, R. E. Gernish of Buckfield and Leslie Stevens of Turner were in town Saturday.

H. B. Hotchins and wife are on the sick list.

R. E. Knight and wife went to Woodstock Sunday.

D. A. Merrill returned from the lakes Saturday.

Mrs. Abbott is on the sick list.

F. I. Brown of Sumner, W. E. Kisson of Peru, Mr. Ralph Kilgore and Milton Kilgore of Newry and St. A. Anne of Millfield were in town Sunday.

Bartlett's mill in East Effie is shut down a few days for repairs.

Mrs. Charles Dorman has returned from a visit to her daughter in Paris.

Wittie wailed and Winnie wheezed, while wintry winds whined weirdly. Willie wriggled while Winnie wheezed weirdly. Wisdom whispers, winter winnows work whence. Wherefore we write, "The Kennedy's Lachryse Cough Syrup." Nothing else so good. Sold by H. R. Packard and W. E. Boesman.

INCIDENT IN EUROPE THAT WAS VERY FUNNY.

Smuggling in these days is far removed from the grim realities which characterized it 70 years ago. A charming piece of light comedy which quite recently took place in the Grisons brings the fact into clear relief. The game is now so little dangerous that girls in their monage can play it, even with the glamor of armed conflict thrown in.

Two sisters named Bachero, aged 17 and 18, were engaged in getting a quantity of contraband tobacco from the Swiss to the Italian side of the frontier where the fact was undisputed. Two customs officers in the Stilfserjoch Pass.

Instead of being a ground for alarm this was merely the cue for an episode worthy of light opera. While the elder of the two sisters pushed on as rapidly as possible with her load, the younger, in the coolness of a brigand's romance, posted herself behind a ledge of rock and opened fire upon the officers with a rifle. It was not that she aimed at them with any serious intent. Blooded, indeed, was no part of the program. It was enough to burn powder, and plenty of it. The officers, finding themselves under fire, naturally took cover and returned fire.

This went on for about half an hour without any harm being done, and, indeed, so far as the fair girl smuggler was concerned, without any being intended. Her sole purpose was to keep the enemy in check till her companion had got far enough ahead to be secure. As soon as she judged that this had been done, she slung her rifle and, slipping away by the innumerable mountain tracks familiar only to smugglers, made good her retreat to rejoin her sister on the other side of the border. Both escaped, leaving the officers with a painful sense of having been laughingly outwitted.—Horne correspondence Fall Mail Gazette.

SCOTCH LAD GOT EVEN.

He Turned the Joke on the Yankee Tourist.

An American tourist on a visit to Glasgow, on emerging from the railway station, was accosted by a lad rather familiar about of "Carry your bag, sir!"

The gentleman handed the boy the bag and requested to be shown through Glasgow.

Crossing George's square, they came opposite to Sir Walter Scott's monument, and the boy said proudly: "That is one of the largest monuments in Scotland!"

"Oh, yes," the Yankee, with an air of indifference, "two have threepenny cigars as big as that in America."

They got onto a tram car going east, and just as they alighted at the terminus a long circular piece of iron on a lorry drawn by 12 horses came up the street.

The American, in surprise, asked the boy what that was for. The boy, remembering what the Yankee had said with about the cigars and with a resolve to be even with him, replied: "Oh, a new hotel has just been built in the Toongate, and that is the kitchen poker."

The Potato Monument.

"If I ever get rich enough to make me a city of New York to present to the people of New York," said a man who travels "That is the most venerable thing in the statue list of New York. It is a monument to potatoes. It is certainly unique. The upper part consists of a statue to Sir Francis Drake, who is revered for having introduced the plant into Europe. This, as well as the pedestal, is draped with the leaves of the potato vine, with the thick green leaves intact. On the pedestal are inscriptions. The first reads: 'The above figure is Sir Francis; the second explains in words of highest praise what a blessing the potato has been to mankind; the third records that the statue is the gift of certain Andrew Frederick, of Birmingham, the fourth contains the names of the sections of the potato.' A monument to some vegetable product of nature is such more appropriate than all the stone statues of celebrities that clutter our parks at the present time."

THE AGGRAVANT.

The man was dotty, he was dotty;
His cerebral goo was ropy,
And his think-machine as grogy
As the law could well allow,
In intelligence deficient
He was clearly inefficient.
But—he had a "roll" sufficient
To asphyxiate a cow.

Mixed with any folks he'd bore 'em
The insurance before 'em;
This eclectic chapman
Invited in him a charter member.
With a virile vim and vigor
He would pull his gait trifler
And keep boring like a chigger
From the springtime to December.

Yet the thing that made me hate him,
Made me inwardly berate him,
Made me long to fascinate him
From his shoes to his capelet,
Was that folks who should forsake him
Tried to dine and wine and cake him
I used to let his money take him
Where mere brains could never go.
—Girchard W. Whilliam, in Judge.

A Palpable Plot.

Mrs. Du Nile—John, my dreamskake
arrived to-day, and I must have the
materials to-morrow.

Mr. Du Nile—Eh? What? You say
you had written to her not to com-
municate next month.

Mr. Du Nile—Yes, I did, but she
never got the letter.

Mr. Du Nile (clasping his hand to his
breast pocket)—Woman! This is
plot! If you had really wanted her to
stay away you would have handed
that letter to the postman yourself;
you wouldn't have given it to me to
mail.—N. Y. Weekly.

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

EASY TO WIN A SMILE.

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"Do you think women have no sense
of humor?"

"Oh, I don't know. It isn't hard to
annoy a girl who looks pretty when
she smiles."

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

Might as Well Be.

Greening—What! You don't mean
to say that Cubber is an advertising
doctor?

Browning—Well, he doesn't adver-
tise in the papers, but he is always
telling how he cured people after all
the other doctors had given them up.
—Chicago Daily News.

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

Safety in Silence.

Mrs. Gayson—Yes, auntie, now that
I am Herbert's wife, he is another
man.

Aunt Martha—Well, don't you go
telling people you're another man's
wife or you'll be getting fished for
atiquary.—Life.

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

When Two Constitute a Majority.

"Do you think the child is father to
the man?"

"I don't know about that, but if he
had his mother on his side he is
pretty likely to be the boss of the
branch."—Chicago Record-Herald.

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

A Misunderstanding.

Hoskins—May, mister, I can't let
any body use my boat just now. There's
a heavy swell just comin' up.

"Arry—Bwell be blowed! Ain't my
money as good as 'is?—Royal Maga-
zine.

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

Who Wouldn't?

"Tomkins just told me that he
loved his neighbor as he does him-
self."

"Who is his neighbor?"

A young widow.—Milwaukee Cen-
suel.

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"He" educated the rich man, peer-
ing cautiously over the stairway.

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MEXICO.

The family of A. B. Burgess was visited twice within the space of eight days by the grim messenger, death. Mrs. Burgess passed away Thursday, Jan. 21st, as was recorded in the CITIZEN last week. Friday, Feb. 2nd, at about 12:30 a. m., Leon B. Burgess, the one aged about 28, died. He had been suffering from an attack of the prevailing cold or grippa, and was not considered dangerously ill. The immediate cause of death was heart failure. Mr. Burgess, Sr., is himself sick and unable to be out of bed, and he was not informed of his son's death for fear that the shock would be more than he could stand. The young man was an engineer in the employ of the F. & N. P. Ry. Co. He was a Mason and a Knight of Pythias. The body was placed in the receiving tomb, and when the bereaved husband and father is able to be about, a double funeral service will be held.

Mrs. John Young of Turner, who was visiting her daughter, Mrs. McCormick on Granite street, died Thursday night. Mrs. Young had not been well for some time, but her death was not expected as a result of the illness. Mrs. Young lived in Turner and the remains were sent there for burial.

Miss Martha Perkins is ill of blood poisoning. Her sister, Mrs. Danville Knox, is also sick, and their mother, Mrs. P. A. Perkins, is confined to her bed with the grippa. This is all in the same house.

W. H. Hays and wife are both confined to the house by sickness.

From the reports last week and what was learned this week, it is safe to say that nearly every home in Mexico has sickness, and that the place is in the balance of an epidemic is evident. The form of illness is generally a mild form of grippa, but here and there cases of pneumonia are reported.

The Cuban family that did not go to Portland last Friday night as planned.

Rev. A. G. Warner was in Brunswick last Sunday, where he was called to supply a pulpit.

EAST DIXFIELD.

Meow, Basset and Danham of Brunswick were in town Monday, buying apples.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Dickson Hall are showing their sympathy for them in a substantial way, either in money or things to start in housekeeping again.

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RYMON.

Harrison Barrett has decided to quit his farm and build a residence at Grand Haven.

Mr. Philip Hartley has returned from a tour of the lumber camps.

The Shubert, who has been playing with Harry Dwyer, returned to Dixfield Saturday.

Mr. George P. Thomson of Hackett, Me., is visiting friends in Dixfield for a few days.

Robert Kray has charge of the roads for Rye and Dixfield on Old York Mountain.

Ans Hackett of Lawrenceville, Pa., was in town last Sunday.

RUMFORD POINT.

M. A. Elliott and wife went to Portland Friday to attend the funeral of her sister.

L. M. Hurdman and G. H. Hurdman are looking back to Maine.

John and Harry Elliott are looking back to W. H. Hurdman.

P. H. Hurdman is on the go.

Ed Virgin of Dixfield was in town Saturday.

John Martin has been looking back to Dixfield, and is looking to Dixfield.

Alton Knight is working for Mrs. Hurdman at North Woodville.

Marion and Charles are looking back to Hurdman.

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CANTON.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whittemore of East Dixfield have been visiting their son, E. B. Whittemore and family.

Clyde Hinkell has returned home from Westbrook Seminary.

The remains of Mrs. John B. Young, who died at Rumford Falls Friday, were brought to Canton Saturday, and conveyed from here by train to her home in Turner.

J. K. Perkins was at Rumford Center on business Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harkford Knowles of Fayette have been visiting the latter's sister, Mrs. John Bailey.

The Misses Florence and Lucy Newman returned to Portland Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Barrett were at Rumford Falls Saturday.

The Rebekahs are planning on holding an attractive entertainment in the near future.

Town's orchestra played for the poverty ball at the Point Thursday evening of last week.

J. W. Hinkell was in Lewiston on business Saturday.

Among those who went on the special train to Portland to witness the drama, "The Drummer Boy," at Cheney Opera House, Friday evening, were Mr. and Mrs. John B. Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. York, Mr. and Mrs. N. Reynolds, Mrs. C. P. Oldham, Mrs. Bessie Cole, Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Johnson, Willie Brown, P. M. Warren and J. L. Durrigles.

Miss Mary H. Coburn went to Auburn, Friday, to attend the funeral services of her great aunt, Mrs. Phoebe Bailey, who died Wednesday evening, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Horace S. Johnson of South Auburn, at the advanced age of ninety-five years.

Mrs. Bailey was the widow of Nahum Bailey, who died Jan. 21, 1892, and as aunt of Mrs. Sarah Coburn of this place. The funeral occurred Saturday at 10 o'clock a. m.

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Mrs. Roy Moore, who is very ill with pneumonia, remains about the same.

Her sister, Miss Fannie Campbell of North Livermore, has returned home and another sister, Mrs. Frank Coolidge, is with her for the present.

Miss Alice Oliver was home from Lebanon Academy over the Sabbath.

Mrs. Bessie Cole is caring for Mrs. P. W. Morse, who is improving in health.

Mrs. Eliza Barrows is ill with the grippa.

Abbott and Ethel Russell visited their brother, John Russell and family of Peru, Sunday.

The grammar school in the village closes this week.

Mrs. A. A. Oliver is on the sick list.

Mrs. P. M. Oliver visited recently in Lewiston.

Miss Whitfield of Jay, who has been supplying at the Baptist church on alternate Sundays, for the past three months, has finished her services, preaching her last sermon last Sunday.

Miss Nash will occupy the pulpit next Sunday.

Lawrence Lavergne is home from Westbrook Seminary.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moore are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Clarence Martin of Gilbertville, during the illness of Mrs. Moore.

Mr. Robert Swift and daughter, Harriet, are making an extended visit with Mrs. Charles Hinkell and family of Portland.

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R. A. Overer's crew is boarding at Hotel Twitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Abbott are on the sick list with heavy colds.

Nathan Campbell has returned from his work at Ketchum, Me.

Last Saturday the King's Daughters' fountain on Main street became frozen up for the first time this year, and burst the lead feed pipe.

This necessitated taking off the wooden case and crowd packing, removing the fountain and replacing the broken pipe. It is back in position once more with the pipe packed in straw so that no more trouble is anticipated.

Dr. Leslie was called hurriedly to Blanchard and Bangs' camp No. 41 at Lakeside, N. H., last Saturday to treat Fred Vermitt, who was suffering severely from the results of having a heavy log roll over his head. He found it necessary to take a number of stitches in Mr. Vermitt's head and face. One of the scalars then stated that there are some 60 deer yarded near the road between camps No. 40 and No. 39, and that it is no uncommon sight to see from six to ten deer in and near the road, when they make their trips.

The ladies of the Congregational Church held a baked bean supper in Town Hall Wednesday evening, Feb. 6.

Pine Tree League of East Andover will give an entertainment Friday evening, Feb. 8th.

Andover orchestra gave a dance in Union Hall last Tuesday evening.

D. L. Deane has something to say in our advertising columns.

George L. Deane was called to Portland on business this week.

Mrs. P. E. Randall was ill with a cold several days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cyr visited friends in Lewiston this week.

The ladies of the Universalist church give a supper at the vestry tonight.

Everybody will visit Morris Marx big sale which opens Thursday, Feb. 7.

Mrs. Dack of Buckfield has rented the house on Rumford Avenue recently vacated by Walter Berry.

Miss Minnie Murphy returned last week to her home in Berlin, after visiting her sister, Mrs. D. J. McCoy.

Miss Alice B. Gibbs of Portland has been the guest, for several days, of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bray at Hotel Rumford.

William Boyce and Myrtle Roberts, both of this place, were united in marriage last Saturday by Rev. G. A. Martin.

Nothing reserved regardless of cost; store closed to mark down such article to price advertised. Sale opens Thursday, Feb. 7th. Morris Marx.

J. J. Gay returned Monday from Vermont, where he has been for several weeks, and started Thursday for a business trip to Canada.

Miss Jennie McGivney and Everett K. Day have returned from a business trip to New York, where they have been purchasing their spring stock.

Mrs. Hathorne, wife of Prof. Hathorne, and their little daughter visited the husband and father last week. Their home is in Wilton.

Miss Ida Wooster will leave next Tuesday for a week's visit in Portland with her mother, Mrs. Emmeline Wooster, and her sister, Mrs. Alfred Richards.

George Kidder has recovered from an attack of pneumonia and during the past week has been able to personally supervised his new steam laundry in Hallowville.

W. J. Dray, landlord at Hotel Rumford, attended the hotel keepers convention at Augusta last week. He was elected vice-president of the association for Oxford county.

The talk about a new theatre in town, seems so far, like the talk of other things expected, that do not get beyond the expectation stage. A new theatre is badly needed.

Mrs. J. A. Robinson died Wednesday night, Jan. 22nd, at her home in Virginia, after a brief illness of pleuro pneumonia. She is survived by her husband and six children.

The funeral of Mrs. Eva Reed Wood, wife of William Wood of Smith's Crossing, took place Saturday afternoon, Feb. 2nd, Rev. Theodore L. Frost being the officiating clergyman.

The ladies of the Baptist church gave an supper in the church Friday night, which was well patronized in spite of the fact that many other events were going on that night.

The Waterbury-School last Friday printed a very good likeness of George W. Stevens, formerly postmaster at Rumford Falls, and now senator and chairman of the committee on education.

The presentation of the "Drummer Boy," at the Opera House last Friday night drew a large and appreciative audience. A special train from Lewiston Falls brought many from there to witness the play.

Do not forget the great play, "Lark the Parakeet," tonight at the Opera House, and the coal stirring drama.

"Nugget Nell," tomorrow night. Prof. Charron's pupils never fail to give a first class play.

The funeral of Mrs. Cyrus Snell of Turner was held Monday, Feb. 4th. The deceased was the widow of Mrs. Nahum Moore's brother. Mrs. Moore was unable to attend the funeral on account of illness.

LeLle's tailor shop on Exchange street, got afire last Thursday afternoon, but Mr. LeLle fought the flames single handed and got the best of them before the department arrived. He got quite badly burned. Considerable damage to stock resulted, also paper, paint and whitewash will repair other damages.

Carl Stranberg is ill with diphtheria. Alfred Sparks visited friends in Boston this week.

Miss Louella Perry visited relatives in Portland this week.

Mrs. O. J. Gonyea returned Saturday from a visit in Berlin.

E. G. McCoy of Bangor was recently the guest of his nephew, D. J. McCoy. The Majestica Club was entertained Wednesday evening by Mrs. Harry Chadbourne.

John Martin visited his brother, Ed Martin of Rumford Center, several days last week.

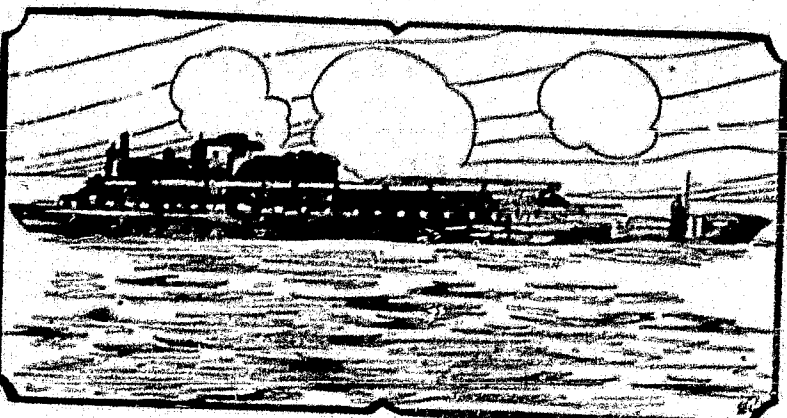
Mrs. Alexander McGregor and son,

ENGINE ON OCEAN

LOCOMOTIVE VERY MUCH OUT OF ITS ELEMENT.

Engineers Engaged in Construction of Florida Railroad Set New Record—Sixty-Mile Tow a Nerve Strainer.

It is not the easiest task in the world to roll a locomotive on a barge, tow it some 60 miles out to sea, and put it on a small island, all intact and ready for instant use. But this was the work progressed, and overcame the construction of the extension of the Florida East Coast railway, now building 160 miles across the Florida Keys, from Miami to one of the westernmost landfalls of the chain—Key West. While the work of bridging the intervening channels between the Keys was progressing, the 15 miles of railroad on the solid ground bed of Key Largo (the longest of the chain) and nearly half way out to sea between the mainland and the proposed railway terminus was under way and ready for the services of a locomotive, necessary to assist in the completion



How Locomotive Went to Sea.

of the island railroad. But how was this big, cumbersome engine, to be transported across to the Key?

The connecting line of grade was not completed, so that the engine could be run out over the several smaller islands and intervening bridges under its own steam, so the only feasible method seemed to be a 60-mile tow, the advantages or disadvantages of which were discussed pro and con by the men in charge. It was finally decided to experiment. Three parallel tracks were laid on a huge barge and this latter hooked up to the wharf, also laid with a track. Three flat cars were run on each of the two outer tracks on the barge and the ponderous locomotive was shunted in between them. Every wheel was securely wedged and blocked, the flat cars acting as a guard should the engine refuse to submit to being towed to sea, and, surcharged with latent indignation, be unable to restrain itself and decide to leave the track. Lines were made fast to a puff little tug, which, encouraged by the hours of the workmen, started off bravely with her burden, like an ant tugging at a broken tree, and grow high, as if to challenge the ocean rollers, and her taffrail nearly submerged by the pressure of her towlines.

After a safe voyage, the barge was beached on the shores of Key Largo, steam was generated in the boiler, and on a track laid to receive it, the locomotive slid from its fastenings to the scenes of its future labors—the only engine of its class which ever enjoyed an ocean excursion.

ADVANCE OF THE RAILROAD.

There Has Been a Prodigious Growth in Recent Years.

During the lifetime of many who are still active factors in business affairs, or 70 years ago, we had 23 miles of railroads, today 222,000 miles, or including double track and sidings, 312,000 miles, says Richard H. Edwards, in the Review of Railways. The freight in mile tons has grown from 29,000,000 in 1882 and 59,000,000,000 in 1903. In 1903, the total for the latter year being more than twice as great as for 1882. The gain of 45,000,000 tons between 1902 and 1903 was very much larger than the total of 1882, and nearly two-thirds as great as the total of 1903. Owing to the more powerful locomotives and cars, freight traffic has increased by a much greater percentage than the increase in the number of cars and locomotives, and likewise than the increase in miles.

On most of our roads we have very nearly reached the limit of heavier locomotives and larger cars, for as these are increased to great heavier cars and heavier locomotives are necessary. It is really a case of re-construction and reconstruction and rebuilding year after year. Yet no road in a prosperous section seems to catch up with the business. The freight and the rolling stock and the condition of the road for the present are better than ever before. They are completed great as has been the growth of traffic during the last two years. It must of necessity be far exceeded by that of the next ten, since population is increasing and the volume of trade grows more rapidly than population. To extend our railroad facilities by improvement of tracks and terminal facilities and by the increase of rolling stock adequate to meet the actual needs of the country during the next ten years would require an additional expenditure of \$4,000,000,000 to \$4,500,000,000.

LOCOMOTIVE HAS LIVE PET.

Engine on Connecticut Line Adopts Live Rooster.

Engine No. 1,899 has adopted a rooster. "Her" engineer, E. H. Cozier, swears "she" has, and certainly the rooster is devotedly attached to his ponderous foster-mother, according to a dispatch from Winsted, Conn. Wherever "she" goes, there goes the rooster, which, although slightly disfigured, is still in the ring," Cozier says, the proudest bird in the Naugatuck valley.

"She," Cozier, has named the rooster "Hank." He went to Torrington one day recently, and later to Bridgeport and New Haven. "Hank" sleeps in the engine cab at night at Waterbury, and is becoming the pet of all the railroad men on the Naugatuck division of the New Haven railroad.

When "she" was running past the Turner manufactory, at Livingston, a month ago, Cozier and his fireman, J. E. Downs, of Waterbury, saw "Hank" hopping and tumbling about near the tracks. Merciful men, they halted "her" and picked up the rooster. A train had run over him, cut off a wing, and so narrow was his escape, part of his bill. They

nursed him tenderly, and after his wounds healed, "Hank" would not leave "her" and those who had befriended him. When "she" starts, "Hank" jumps on the coal in the tender, and downs is mighty careful not to scoop him up in a shovel and throw him in the fire-box. When "she" comes to a standstill the rooster hops into the cab and to the ground, sometimes, while his chums oil "her" joints. Proud as he is, "Hank" crows only when he is hungry; then the engineer and fireman share their food with him.

ENGLISH AND AMERICAN CARS.

Fast Freight Trains Over Here Haul Far Heavier Loads.

For a quarter of a century, so expeditious in the British methods, freight has been collected in London late in the afternoon and delivered at the consignee's door anywhere south of Scotland the following morning. The great American roads send out four fast freight trains daily from New York to the London & Northwestern railway, which sends out 281. But the English freight car, or goods wagon, for this service has a capacity of ten tons, and 24 or 25 of these make up a train. Three tons per wagon is considered good loading. At that rate there must be an engine and crew for every 10 tons of freight. A New York Central grain train, with one engine and crew, hauls 2,600 tons. The coal trains on the Pennsylvania haul more than 10,000 tons of steel cars are common on that line.

But there is another difference that must be considered, or comparisons of this sort come to nothing. The British railways perform the same service that the express companies do in this country. The small cars, better than our large cars would. That, however, is to be doubted; the plan is quite as likely to be in defense of old fogies. At any rate some British lines, notably the Northeastern, have begun to use cars with a capacity of not less than 25 tons, but it does not appear that these are for fast freight. The Northwestern, with 25 cars to a fast train, considers 100 tons a good train load. This looks like extraordinary handling. Two of the fast freight trains from New York carry, in all, 10,000 tons of freight. The 25 trains of the London & Northwestern.

WILL OPEN UP ALASKA.

Men of Millikan Plan Railroad to Tap Rich Country.

An enterprise in which the German-born and J. P. Morgan are interested of embarking will dwarf all others that have undertaken in Alaska. It has been stated publicly that these men, without offering any stock to outside investors, intend to build from Valdez, one of the Alaska Central, northwestern through the Copper River country to the Yukon river, traversing a region rich in copper, gold and other minerals. Not only is the copper ore of that region abundant and rich, but it is said to have value for smelting operations owing to its availability as a flux. It is generally known among metallurgists that economy of operation can be secured only by mingling different ores, some of which are brought from long distances. For this reason the smelting men would mine in all parts of the world touched by the Pacific—in Mexico, South America, China, Alaska, and the Pacific Coast states.

SENTENCE SERMONS.

We live by the joy we give.

Significance is not a matter of bulk.

Good will on earth is God's will for man.

A week end religion is weak at both ends.

There are no saints without their service.

He who cheers another encourages himself.

There are no single admission tickets to glory.

No man can be free, who holds another in bonds.

Many have found life's crown bending over a cradle.

The dew of heaven is not in the midrow on the sermon.

The path of happiness always leads by some sad one's side.

It often takes a vacant place to bind the family fast together.

Giving is always a poor investment when it is an investment only.

The true servants of heaven are known by an atmosphere of happiness.

The only way to get some folks to forgive and forget is to lend them a dollar.

He who is always looking for a soft place finds one in the slough of despond.

Nothing worth seeing comes from the life that knows nothing of the unseen.—Chicago Tribune.

WARPED WISDOM.

Better not be witty than half-witted.

Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown.

Love your enemies—but not John Demijohn.

To a big-headed man the world is very small.

Heart failure and cash failure often go together.

Too bad that most good eating is bad for one.

Knockers get big audiences, but no gate receipts.

You can have a mighty hot time on a cool million.

The best man at a wedding cannot always prove it.

If you are a gay old dog you have no right to whine.

A cheerful life is often better than the solemn truth.

Two heads are better than one—especially at kissing.

You can also tell a man by the company he doesn't keep.

The last person to forget a kindness is the one who does it.

When a man makes a show of himself he's not always a comedy.

Many a man snacks of freshness, but freshness gets no snacks.

It's a wise Satan who keeps his beard away from the candles.

WISE MAN'S VIEWS.

Here is a little scrap of life formulated by a wise man.

I have grown to believe that the one thing worth aiming at is simplicity of heart and life.

That power leaves a bad taste in the mouth.

That congenial labor is the secret of happiness.

That the world is a very interesting and beautiful place.

That meanness, hardness and coldness are unforgivably sins.

That one's relations with others should be direct and not diplomatic.

That pleasure exists, not in virtue of material conditions, but in a joyful heart.

And many other things which seem as I write them down, to be dull and commonplace, but are for me the bright jewels which I have found inside the way.

PITY 'TIS 'TIS TRUE.

In love, at least, consistency is a fool.

A man is as old as his arteries; a woman is as old as her art.

If she has had manners, she's poor; if she is eccentric, she's rich.

Man was created first—women have kept him waiting ever since.

Remember that there is no praiser quite so sweet as praise that is undeserved.—N. Y. Evening Post.

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"No," replied the old man. "I met a gold mine promoter who took care of the dollars for me."—Detroit Free Press.

Proof Positive.

Smith—I'm afraid my wife is losing her mind.

Jones—You don't say? What reason have you for thinking so?

Smith—She says the girl our only son is engaged to marry is too good for him.—Chicago Daily News.

Had to Pause.

Brown—But why do you stop so often? Can't you keep up with me?

Typewriter (who is rather shaky in her orthography)—Oh, yes, but your language is so eloquent that I frequently find myself spellbound.—Royal Magazine.

Had No Kick Coming.

Her husband (casually)—I was a fool when I married you.

His wife—Aren't you a fool still?

Her husband—No, I am not.

His wife—Then you should congratulate me upon my success as a reformer.—Chicago Daily News.

Suitable for a Kite.

Boy—I want to buy some paper.

Boy—What kind of paper?

Boy—You'd better give me some dry paper—I want to make a kite.—Royal Magazine.

The Place for His Mouth.

Exel—What a filthy chaffed mouth you have! It ought to be on a snuff box.

Jack—Well, I seldom miss an opportunity.

Hopless Case.

Her—Then he isn't what might be termed an entertaining man?

His—No, I never know him even to entertain an idea.—Chicago Daily News.

Nothing Lost.

Nell—Mr. Smith is always making words that I don't understand at all.

Wife—Neither does he know his own mind.—Free Press.

Who Should Write Our Stories?

The Love Story—Treat.

The English Story—London.

The Tantalus Story—Paris.

The Creditors Story—New York.

The Baby Story—Hawaii.

The Newly Wed Story—Hawaii.

The Young Man Story—Hawaii.

The Harrowing Story—Hawaii.

TO BE SURE.

"He fell in love with her at first sight."

"How odd! But she has her motto 'Love is blind'?"—Houston Post.

Frightfully Burned.

John W. Moore, a machinist, of Ford City, Pa., had his back frightfully burned in an electrical furnace. He applied Buckle's Arnica Salve with the usual result: "a quick and perfect cure." Greatest healer on earth for Burns, Wounds, Sores, Eczema, and Itch. 25¢ at W. E. Rosserman's, drug store.

Soft.

Freddy (romantically)—The moon! The moon! The beautiful moon!

Edna—And you remind me of the moon, Freddy.

Freddy—If in what way?

Edna—You are also motionless.

The Man from the Furniture Store.

"I suppose you'll have this?" He pointed to a chair.

"No, I don't want it."—London Sketch.

WIT AND WISDOM.

A New Carrow.

Mr. Yeast—Have you adopted the carrow?

Mr. Trimmerhead—I don't know as you would call it a carrow bell exactly; but when my husband stays out after ten o'clock, he has to ring the bell to get in.—Yonkers Statesman.

Had dyspepsia or indigestion for years. No appetite, and what I did eat distressed me terribly. Burdock Blood Bitters cured me.—J. H. Walker, Sunbury, Ohio.

Explained.

"Say, ma, what is an angel?"

"An angel, my dear, is one that flies."

"I heard pa tell our hired girl that she was an angel."

"Well, she's going to fly, my son."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Don't let the baby suffer from eczema, sores or any itching of the skin. Doan's Ointment gives instant relief, cures quickly. Perfectly safe for children. All druggists sell it.

Did She Stop?

He had started the phonograph going, but it was impossible to hear it for his wife's chatter. At least he said: "Now, dear, won't you please stop so we can hear the other talking machine?"—Yonkers Statesman.

Constipation causes headache, nausea, distress, lagging, heart palpitations, drastic physics gripe, sickened, weakens the bowels and don't cure. Doan's Regulator acts gently and cures constipation. 25 cents. Ask your druggist.

Suggestive.

"Do you believe in hypnotism?" asked the young man who pays no attention to the flight of time.

"Yes, indeed," answered Miss Wise. "There are some people who can put me to sleep simply by talking to me."

He Was In Trouble.

"I was in trouble, but found a way out of it, and I'm a happy man again," says Dr. King's New Life Pills cured me of chronic constipation," says E. W. Goodloe, 107 St. Louis St., Dallas, Tex. Guaranteed satisfactory. Price 25 cents at W. E. Rosserman's drug store.

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"Must be girl children, aren't they?"—Houston Post.

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Natural.

Johnny—What gave you such a broad smile in this picture? Has the manager just promised you a raise in salary?

Thomas Girl—No. He had just promised to pay up my back salary, that's all.—Detroit Free Press.

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The Speeders.

Gunner—Helene's father said you were going to the dogs since you bought that automobile. Any truth in the report?

Togger—Hardly! The dogs are coming to me. Ran down a dozen yesterday.—Chicago Daily News.

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Man of Many.

"Is he a man of good deeds?"

"Can't say; but I know he is a man of many."

"Go on."

"He's in the real estate business."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

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Has Gallery of Ancestors.

Mrs. Uppterson—What a fine gallery of ancestors! And what a strong family likeness in the faces!

Mrs. Gaultt—Quick—Yes; you see, the artist had only one old photograph to go by.

It's a good old world after all; if you have no friends or money, in the river you can fall; marriages are quite common and, more people there would be, provided you take Rocky Mountain Tea. W. E. Rosserman.

Wasn't Blaming Him.

"I'll have you to understand, sir, that poets are born, not made."

"Don't take any offense, old chap. I wasn't blaming you."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

A stomach builder, reconstructor, builds up waste force, makes strong nerves and muscles. You will realize after taking Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea what a wonderful benefit it will be to you. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. W. E. Rosserman.

Forgot the Tace.

Bill—He offered her his hand and his heart.

Jill—I suppose she didn't think it a fair exchange for her money!

"But you know her face went with the money!"—Yonkers Statesman.

It's the highest standard of quality, a natural tonic, cleanses your system, reddens the cheeks, brightens the eyes, gives flavor to all you eat. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do this for you. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. W. E. Rosserman.

They Did.

Hogan—Did th' b'ys injure Moriarty's spache?

Groggan—Did they? Well, ye should have bin there. They were so loud ye couldn't hear a word he said.—Judge.

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